

This application is a continuation of USSN 10/120,761, filed April 11, 2002; which is a division of USSN 09/721,077, filed November 22, 2000, now USP 6,419,204; which claims priority benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/166,959, filed November 23, 1999, expired.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 26-31 and 33-37 and add Claims 38-51 as shown in the attached replacement sheets submitted under 37 CFR §1.121(c).

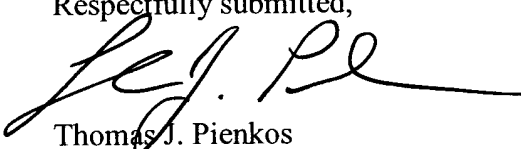
REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is made in view of the Office Action mailed 2/21/03 in the parent case.

Claims 38-51 have been added. These newly-added claims are believed to be supported by the Specification as originally filed.

It is respectfully submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned attorney if any questions should arise.

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